

HELIOS:FEMINA

Shadows Of The Forsaken





*Terra
insisted that I
get a full night's rest
in preparation for
this strenuous*

journey.



*Going to
the black market
is risky business.*



*I can
see red.*



*One wrong
move on this
treacherous route
will leave us
open...*





...to
phantoms.





Terra,
I think I
saw one!

HUFF HUFF

Keep
gliding as
fast as you
can.





The moment
you stop,
they'll attack.

So, they *really* believe
that our world is
like some post
apocalyptic
VR game?

I mean,
it *kinda* is,
right?



Why
can't they just
remove their
eyeDs?

bel
Too late
for that.
Their brains
are toast.

After
the Fall,
everything
changed,

A character with a green hood and a single blue eye is shown from the chest up. They are wearing a dark blue jacket with a white zipper pull. The background is dark and blurry, with some red lights visible in the distance.

but... I guess
VR junkies
couldn't face
the harsh
truth.

If you
leave your eyeDs
embedded long after
the expiration date,
the side effects
are no joke.

Now, they're
stuck with

malfunctioning
eyeDs, blurring
the line between
fiction and
reality.

That's
really sad.





POOSH...

I don't
feel bad for them.
They *have* to stay asleep.
Besides, in *their* eyes,
we're just another
zombie or monster
they're itching
to kill.





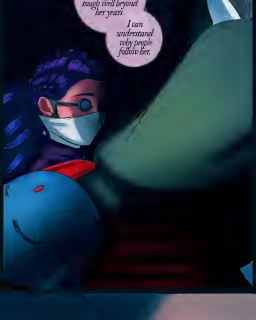
I've lost
too many
good people
because of
them.

Let them
rot.
hmpf

*Terra may
be young, but she's*

*rough road beyond
her years.*

*I can
understand
why people
follow her.*



A close-up illustration of a character with long, dark, wavy hair. The character has a pale complexion and a single prominent blue eye, while the other eye is obscured by a dark, triangular shadow or hair. A hand with a black wristband is gently touching the character's forehead. The background is a soft, out-of-focus gradient of blue and pink.

Your
night vision
is working,
right?

We're
about to enter
the subway and
it's pitch black.



The
dress code
from here on out
is black tie
optional.







PING

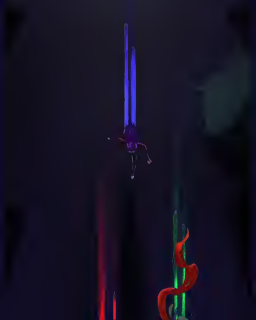
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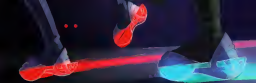
A woman with a glowing blue eye and a red cape is shown in a dark, blue-toned environment. She is looking towards the left. A small, glowing pink object is visible in the distance. A speech bubble is positioned in the lower-left area of the frame.

Hope you're
not afraid
of the dark.





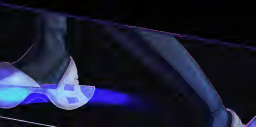




JUMP!









Shit!

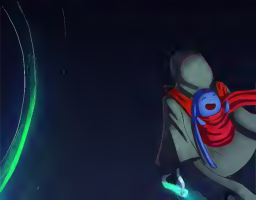








Where's
Rhea?!



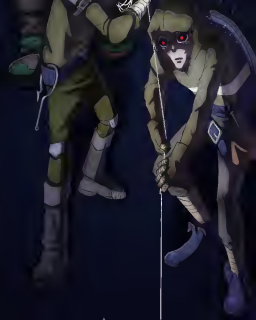


Rheal!!!









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Nimble
catch.

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We
wanted
the big
guy!!!

Huh?
You caught
the skinny
one??



He
was too
fast.



Flurry

hurry



hurry!



hurry



GRAB



A close-up, low-angle shot of a hand reaching out from a dark, textured surface. The hand is positioned in the upper center of the frame, with fingers slightly spread. The background is dark and appears to be a rough, possibly metallic or stone, surface. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the hand against the dark background.

Where you
goin'? We're
not gettin'.

just getting
started...
HEH HEH





HAH HAH





A woman with long black hair, wearing a black dress and black-rimmed glasses, is shown from the chest up. She has a wide-eyed, screaming expression with her mouth open. A large, pale, gloved hand is reaching down towards her head from above. The background is dark with a bright orange-red light source on the left, creating a dramatic, high-contrast scene.

Aghh!

NO!
Wake up!

This is
not a game!
Ple-



HUGO





NO!

LAST
RED!

Thank
you!



*Very
impressive
Red.*

Hey there.

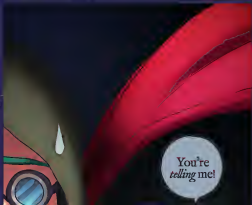
You okay?

I didn't
see the
wire!

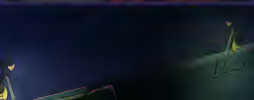


Hahah
Abbi, I see
you're *quite*
the handful.





You're
telling me!











Congrats,
we made it!



The
black market
has security
patrolling around,
so it's pretty
safe here.

Ready
to get your
vision

checked?





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MUSIC



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heaven's gates

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We are still running the Fan Art
Contest for a custom made
bomber with this Enchantress
illustration from

@HMNALNS



Deadline is August 28, 2016

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we can find them

*Good luck and
see you next Sunday!*



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